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## MIDWAY TO THE FRONT

OFFICIALS OF THE JAPANESE LINE OF MAIL STEAMERS PLAN TO REPORT VESSELS BOTH EASTWARD AND WESTWARD BOUND FROM THAT SPOT AS SOON AS CABLE GETS THERE.

It is not unlikely that all of the Oriental liners will be reported on every outward and homeward trip by cable from Midway Island. In fact the officials of the Toyo Kisen Kaisha have under consideration the advisability of establishing a signal station on that island as soon as the cable shall be in working order from Midway to Honolulu.

Captain Greene of the Nippon Maru and Captain Going of the America Maru of the Japanese line wrote to the officials of their company as soon as it was known that the cable company would have a station on Midway Island, and suggested to the steamship people the advisability of establishing some sort of signal station on Midway. The advantage of doing this would be that the vessels of the company could be signalled on all of their trips. It would not be necessary for the vessels to stop at Midway except on rare occasions.

Midway is practically within the track of the steamships for they pass now within fifty miles of the place. When the cable is operating they can easily run down to a short distance off the island and there signal ashore any news or important information that may be desired to be conveyed without delay, to their head officials. Such an arrangement would enable the officials at San Francisco, Honolulu and Yokohama to learn whether the vessels were on time, if they had encountered rough weather, when they would be apt to reach the various ports. The idea seems an excellent one. Midway is about a third of the way from Yokohama to this port. By having the vessel reported from that place there would be reduced the uncertainty regarding them while they were making the trips between Japan and the Hawaiian Islands.

The Toyo Kisen Kaisha's fleet will probably not be the only vessels to be reported if the plan suggested by Captains Greene and Going are approved. The Pacific Mail and Occidental and Oriental companies will no doubt make arrangements to share the expense of maintaining the service from Midway. The result will be that all Oriental vessels will be reported.

There is some danger however in running too close to the islands out in that section of the Pacific. Comparatively little is known of the Pacific about Midway Island and a mistake in the course might put a vessel on some uncharted reef. When in the China Captain Seabury used to hug these islands pretty close however and the danger could no doubt be reduced to a minimum by deciding upon some regular course. The steamships would have to lie some distance off Midway however and signal ashore and some times send a boat there if anything important were to be reported.

It is not improbable that the cable officials will try to make some arrangements with the steamship people to have some liner call at intervals at Midway in order to take mail and supplies to the poor lonely operators who will be in charge of the station in that remote portion of the globe.

## WANTS LEPERS TO HAVE TELEPHONES

SENATOR KALAUOKALANI INTRODUCED BILL IN SENATE TO GIVE LEPER SETTLEMENT TELEPHONE SYSTEM—BRITISH POLITICAL CLAIMS MORE THAN FIRST REPORTED.

Senator Kalauokalani wants the lepers to have a telephone. In fact in an indirect way he introduced a measure looking to public ownership of this public utility. He moved today that an item of \$15,000 to provide a telephone service from the leper settlement to the rest of the island of Molokai be inserted in the appropriation bill. The Senator considered this quite an important measure. It would enable the lepers to ascertain whenever the paiai supply was short. There was not much debate on the proposition and it was referred to the committee on Public Lands.

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## A LUCKY HAWAIIAN

W. K. MACOMBER IS LEFT \$500,000 BY THE DEATH OF AN AUNT IN WORCESTER, MASS.—THE ELDER MACOMBER CAME TO THE ISLANDS HALF A CENTURY OR MORE AGO.

Associated Press Cable to the Star.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 10.—W. K. Macomber, an Hawaiian half-white, has been left \$500,000 by the death of an aunt in Worcester, Mass. Macomber came to the Mainland from Hawaii with the company of Hawaiian singers that went to the Buffalo Exposition over a year ago.

Macomber is well known in Honolulu and Kau. He is about 26 years of age and is a native of Kau. His home is at Waiohinu, Hawaii. He attended Kamehameha School until he joined the Hawaiian singers to go to the Buffalo Exposition. He has been living in San Francisco for some months past.

The elder Macomber came to these islands many years ago. Macomber married a native and had a number of children among them being the young man who has fallen heir to the fortune. From what can be learned of the young man this was the first visit he had paid to the mainland. Evidently he gained the good graces of his aunt during his recent visit to the eastern states.

MORGAN'S REASONS.

Associated Press Cable to the Star.

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 10.—Senator Morgan announces that he is opposing the Panama Canal treaty because it does not embody either the law or the spirit of the Spooner law. Both sides agree that there shall be an early vote and it is believed that this will be brought about within a week.

CLEVELAND OUT OF POLITICS.

Associated Press Cable to the Star.

NEW YORK, March 10.—In an authorized interview published today, ex-President Cleveland says that he is out of active politics.

IN A NEW JURISDICTION.

Associated Press Cable to the Star.

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 10.—The jurisdiction of the department of immigration has been extended to include Hawaii, and the other Pacific possessions of the United States.

CHOLERA IN NEW YORK.

Associated Press Cable to the Star.

NEW YORK, March 10.—The steamship Karamania, which arrived from Marseilles, France, today, reports six deaths as having occurred among her passengers during the voyage. These deaths are supposed to be due to cholera.

The vessel has been placed in Quarantine with all of her 733 passengers.

ONCE MINISTER TO VENEZUELA.

BELLEVILLE, Ill., March 1.—Jehu Baker, former United States Minister to Venezuela and for one term Representative from the Twenty-first Congressional district of Illinois, died here today, aged 81 years.

WIRELESS TELEGRAPH IN MEXICO.

CITY OF MEXICO, March 1.—Reports from Guaymas show that the wireless telegraphy experiments across the Gulf of California have been successful.

GREAT SUFFERING ALONG MISSISSIPPI.

Associated Press Cable to the Star.

ST. LOUIS, March 10.—Additional reports from the Mississippi valley indicate that the floods in that section are the worst in recent years. All of the rivers along the valley are overflowing their banks, and flooding the surrounding country for miles. In some sections the low land is completely inundated for a distance of five miles. Thousands of refugees are seeking safety. The situation is very desperate. Relief parties are being sent out. It is expected that many lives have been lost but no reports of any great fatalities in this respect have been received.

DESERT CHURCH OF ROME.

Associated Press Cable to the Star.

ROME, March 10.—Fourteen Catholic priests have joined the independent Catholic church. The schism is daily growing in strength and members.

WOULD PAY SUBSIDIES.

Representative Kaniho this morning introduced a resolution to pay subsidies to the various islands steamers, with a view to inducing the steamship companies to reduce rates on deck passengers. He proposes to pay \$4,000 biennially for the Kinau, \$5,000 for the Mauna Loa, \$3,000 for the Claudine and \$2,500 each for the W. G. Hall and Mikahala.

TO BUILD HILO ROAD.

A conference is in progress this afternoon between representatives of the Hilo-Kohala railroad and the contracting firm of Wilson Lyons & Company of San Francisco. The latter have made an offer to finance and build the road. The representatives of the railroad company are considering the matter and discussing the proposition with the contractor's representatives.

## DELAY COSTLY TO HAWAII

THE PEARL HARBOR NAVAL IMPROVEMENTS WILL BE DELAYED AT LEAST A YEAR BY THE FAILURE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF APPEALS TO DECIDE THE PENDING CASE.

The delay of the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals in deciding the case of the United States against the Honolulu Plantation Company will cost Hawaii and the country a long delay in starting work on the Pearl Harbor naval station. It was expected that the appeal, which was argued and submitted long ago, would be settled soon enough to allow an appropriation by the last Congress. As it is the matter necessarily goes over to the next session, beginning in December and it will probably be a year or more before the money is appropriated.

According to the plans of those in charge Congress would have been asked for \$5,000,000 as a preliminary appropriation, but it was not thought that there was any chance of getting the appropriation through before the United States had secured title to the land. Had the case been settled promptly actual work on the improvements at Pearl Harbor would probably have begun in a month or two.

The case will now be decided, it is expected, on May 5, when the court's next term opens, and all will be ready for the next Congress. The appeal was taken by the government from a verdict for \$102,000 for the plantation company's lands. Judge Estee set aside one verdict of almost the same amount, on the ground that it was excessive, but when a second jury made practically the same assessment the judge refused to interfere again, even though he regarded the award as too large. It is said that subsequently the government refused to compromise at \$90,000. The Court of Appeals has power to fix the amount and will probably render a decision settling the matter definitely. Judge Estee's first decision setting aside the verdict of the jury named \$75,000 as a proper sum.

In the Primo beer case the appeal is made useless by the delay. The law appealed on is now being repealed by the Hawaiian legislature and a new law is being enacted in its place. The appeal was from a decision by Judge Estee declaring the Primo licenses invalid, in that they provided for the sale of only Honolulu-made beer and were a discrimination against mainland products.

## CAPTAIN GREENE AND HIS WATCH

IT WAS STOLEN FROM HIS ROOM IN THE CALIFORNIA HOTEL—BUT WAS RECOVERED BY THE POLICE—WAS PRESENTED TO HIM BY THE OWNERS OF THE NIPPON MARU.

Captain W. W. Greene of the steamship Nippon Maru which arrived yesterday from San Francisco and sailed at noon today for the Orient, recovered the handsome watch of which he was robbed in the California Hotel February 26, under such sensational circumstances.

The watch was especially valued by Captain Greene. It was presented to him by the owners of the vessel in appreciation of the excellent service he performed during the teamsters strike in San Francisco last summer. The vessels of the Japanese line were the only boats running into San Francisco that were able to discharge, load and sail according to schedule. The masters of those vessels were able to accomplish this apparently impossible task by having the members of their crew perform stevedoring work. Every man aboard the vessels turned to after reaching port and worked overtime in an endeavor to aid his employers in the time of necessity.

The efforts of officers and men were not allowed to go unrewarded by the Japanese company. The captains were presented with a gold watch and chain each, the chief engineers and first officers received watches and the rest of the crew were given a

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### NEW SPECIALS.

Madapolam, 35 inch wide, soft finish, 10 cts. yard; Pillow casing, Pequot brand, 12½ cts. yard; fine white Cambric, 10 cts. yard, today at Sachs' Dry Goods Co.

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